Text from Southern California Edison email:

Richard:

I am the program manager for SCE's residential rebate program that includes (for the first time) electric water heaters, 30 gals in size or more. Our standard for 2003 will be EF .91 and greater qualifies for a \$40 rebate.

I do not know when you are envisioning the EnergyStar standard going into effect, but what could dovetail into our program would be an EF of .92 in 2004 and then up to an EF of .93 in 2005. I see from your proposed spec., you are looking at starting off with a standard of .93.

If you have any questions, my number is 626-302-1528.

Jim Hodge